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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Responsive to the Interview Summary dated July 22, 2009, Applicants submit the following statement regarding the substance of the telephonic interview between Examiners Calamita and Strzelecka and the undersigned, initiated by the undersigned on July 7, 2009.

During the telephone interview, the pending 35 U.S.C. §102(b) rejection was discussed. In particular, amendments to claims to clarify the structural features of the external movement inhibitor device were discussed. Applicants' representatives noted that the cited art does not teach or suggest the disclosed method utilizing such device.

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